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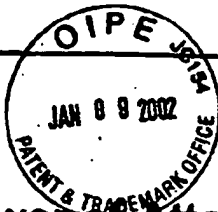
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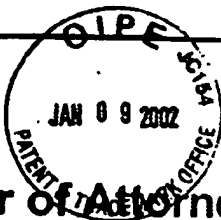
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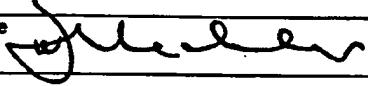
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Position of trust: Administratrix

Date of appointment: 04/30/1997

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of this court on the above date of certificate.

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